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DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL TICKET.

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OUR LAST APPEAL.

Before another issue of the STANDARD, the destinies of Tennessee and of Tennessee and of the whole Union will have been cast for weal or woe. Each citizen who votes or refuses to vote will share alike the responsibility, as well as the weal or woe that his vote may entail upon the country.

The most sacred of all political rights is that of the ballot. It is emphatically "the right of the people of all rights." He who neglects to cast his ballot, or casts it unwisely, may lose, not only this his privilege, but all the rights and blessings which it secures. The candidate nor party before the ballot-box now that proposes to deprive the people of this highest boon of American freedom, but we should look to the tendency of parties and their candidates and judge the future by the past, which is the surest guide. The ballot-box is the only safe place for the people's voice. It is the only safe place for the people's voice. It is the only safe place for the people's voice.

Col. Edwards, the Greenback candidate, has not withdrawn, and we have good authority that he will not do so. All reports to that effect are false. But one course left. Tennessee must either pay all her honest debt, compromise it, or repudiate it. She cannot pay it all without embarrassment, neither can she afford to repudiate it without ruin. Therefore, she should compromise it at a fair rate. In order to do this vote, for Judge Wright.

Toold line Whigs and Democrats.

Do you believe it is constitutional to deprive the masses of the voters in Tennessee of the right to vote for their own rulers? Judge Hawkins said in the court-house here last Monday that it was once constitutional. Judge Wright said he believed that Hawkins was honest in his belief, but that it was exceedingly dangerous to trust a man with power who did believe it. Now, old line Whigs and Democrats, what do you say on the subject? Please consider this question at the ballot box next Tuesday.

Secret Circular.

A secret circular has been handed around the last few days in the interest of the Republican party, and especially of H. B. Case the carpet-bag candidate for Congress in this district. But our people know Gen. Dill and too well, in both war and peace, to be caught by such a stratagem as that. Dill is with the Democratic party in favor of a good, well regulated tariff that will promote all interests of our people. While Garfield is publicly pronounced "for free trade" and against the tariff. Mr. Case is late of Ohio and is proposing to use the division of the Democracy to restore carpet-bag rule in Tennessee. Tennesseeans, stand in your party and down with carpet-baggers!

Two Flimsy Falsehoods.

The Era in its weakness and want of argument perpetrates two silly falsehoods about the reception of Judge Wright last Monday:

1. It says "old Bill and Jim," the old omnibus horses refused to do service in drawing the carriage containing Judge Wright from the depot. These horses were not attached to the carriage but to the band-wagon, and instead of refusing to work seemed to be proud of the part they had to perform. Falsehood No. 1, insignificant as it is.

2. That about "two thirds of the crowd cried out for Wilson in front of the Warren House." There were just three voices that so cried. This is falsehood No. 2.

The Logic of Hawkins.

Whatever was once constitutional may be so again. Hawkins says the disfranchisement law of the Brownlow Legislature was once constitutional. Therefore, the disfranchisement law is constitutional again, according to the logic of Hawkins.

Garfield—\$329.
Wilson—\$1,000.
Hawkins—\$1,000, extra.
Garfield—free trade and no tariff, a cordon of bayonets.
Wilson—against the Democratic party, against the courts and the rulers of the people, for repudiation.
Hawkins—disfranchisement of Tennesseeans, and a little more salary if you please. Raise it from \$3,000 to \$4,000!

Hancock, Wright and Dill with-out a blemish!

Judge John V. Wright.

In the last issue of the STANDARD we promised our citizens much in advance from the speech of this gentleman last Monday, assuring them that they would hear no slang, no communistic doctrines advanced, but, on the other hand, that they might expect to hear one of the best orators and most magnificent speakers of the State—a true type of the honored names of the past. We feel now that our promises have all been fully met and our predictions adequately fulfilled.

We took notes and could report his speech substantially as delivered, but from the shortness of the time to elapse before the election, we deem it unnecessary, as it would not reach our distant readers before that day, and many others heard the speech for themselves. We feel now that we have nothing to say that for ability, fairness, statesmanship, patriotism, and loyalty, is not equalled by no other speaker of the present. The speech of Judge Wright, here last Monday, has not been equalled since the days of James C. Jones, Merrieth's P. Gentry, Gustavus A. Henry and their compeers.

Martin and Taylor.

Col. A. B. Martin and A. A. Taylor, candidates for elector 3d district on the Democratic and Republican tickets respectively, addressed our citizens at this place last Saturday. Col. Martin opened the discussion in a very able and eloquent speech of one hour, in which he showed that the days of Republican rule are over and ought to be numbered; that that party had served its purpose and performed its mission and should and must now retire—step down and out of power. He gave the party credit for all the good it had done, and arraigned it for all its iniquities. He dealt fairly with its record, and insisted that the day for blood and corruption, in which it had rioted, had passed, and with it the necessity for that party.

Col. Taylor made a very able and eloquent speech, showing clearly that he is a man of ability. Such ability will always make itself felt. The man who can make such an argument as he made for such a cause, and in the face of almost certain defeat in his candidacy, need have no fears in a good cause with equal chances.

That Change of Salary.

Judge Hawkins was on the Supreme Court bench during Brownlow's tyrannical administration, approved the law and decided that it was constitutional which declared that all rebels and rebel sympathizers should be disfranchised and not allowed to vote for their own rulers, including both Whigs and Democrats. The Brownlow Legislature raised Hawkins' salary from \$3,000 to \$4,000 a year. But he could not get the benefit of this under the constitution, and in order to get the \$1,000 extra, Hawkins resigned one day to end that term, and was appointed by Brownlow the next day in order to get the \$1,000 extra pay.

This is the man that says it was constitutional to prohibit you and me from voting for the men who are to rule us. He now, after a sleep of fifteen years, comes to the surface and expects to be elected Governor on the division of the Democrats about a little matter of a few dollars and cents. Freeman of Tennessee, will you allow it? Answer this with your ballots next Tuesday.

That "Cordon of Bayonets."

Say what you will, there is one thing certain, Garfield is no fool. He knew exactly what he meant when he said he desired to see a "cordon of bayonets" placed at the back of these rebel communities—old line Whigs and all. Reader do you know what a "cordon" is? It is a line or series of military posts so placed as to cut off all communication with all outside. This cordon was placed by the voice and vote of Garfield at the back of one of these rebel communities when Philip Sheridan placed the bayonets of the Federal army at the back of the Louisiana Legislature, and thus drove them from the State House, where they had been sent by her people to enact the necessary laws for their local government. It was again placed at the back of the South Carolina Legislature, and that venerable old Commonwealth, old line Whigs and all, were compelled by this cordon of bayonets to do the bidding of a military despot. It was again placed between every freeman who dared to think for himself and the ballot box in Tennessee by Brownlow in 1865. And who declared that this was a righteous act? Answer: Alvin Hawkins, the Republican candidate for Governor, who finds, on a close count, that he will need a few votes to beat the Democratic nominee, and to secure those few votes he is going round talking soft talk to the old line Whigs for their votes, the very men that he put the brand of treason upon that might remain forever! That's what the cordon of bayonets means.

The Crisis has Come.

Next Tuesday the most important election of any of the thirty-eight in the United States takes place in Tennessee. It not only decides who is to be President, United States Senator, and the majority in both Houses of Congress, but also who is to be Governor of Tennessee and the financial standing of this great State for all time to come. Tennesseeans to the man born, at once to your standards, and in your party lines! This is no time for visionary speculations, or political experiments. No time for breaking old parties and forming new ones. No time for changing party allegiance. The possibilities before you are four, the probabilities are two. The possibilities are:

1. The election of Edwards, attended with the loss of State credit and the destruction of a sound currency.
2. The election of Wilson, attended with the destruction of the Democratic party, the total loss of State credit, the insubordination of courts, law and order, and a government to destroy our representative form of government, and the substitution therefor the communistic doctrine of anarchy.
3. The election of Hawkins, attended with the restoration of the disgraceful Radical rule inaugurated by Brownlow and broken up by Gov. Senter, assisted by the ballots of freemen.
4. The election of Wright, attended with the established credit of the State, the preservation of the Democratic party, and its power to preserve our rights as freemen, and the National triumph, followed by an era of unprecedented peace and prosperity to the whole country.

The probable occurrence of these is inversely as the order here stated, the first being least probable, the second next, and so on, provided Democrats do their duty.

The two probabilities are:

1. The election of Wright.
2. The election of Hawkins, in the order here stated, if Democrats are as true to their party as they have been for ten years past.

While the crisis is at hand, and forebodes much evil to the country, it nevertheless may be averted in precisely the same way that we hurled the yoke of bondage from our necks in 1869 when Brownlow and Hawkins were overthrown in Tennessee. And that way is by a united Democratic ballot at the polls. "United we stand, divided we fall."

The Twenty Negro Law.

We have been slow to believe that the bolters were in sympathy with the Republicans; but recent developments show clearly that they are.

The fact that Wilson and Savage, from the very beginning, have not had a word to say against the Republican party, while they expended all their efforts to break down the Democratic party which has sustained and upheld them; the fact that recently they seem to rejoice over the defeat of the Democrats in Indiana; the fact that some of the leading bolters, among them Joe Clift, Sheppard and others, have gone over to the Republicans; and the fact that the bolters and their papers are now using the very line of argument which the Republicans have used to vilify and traduce the South, to-wit, the 20 negro law and the low flung coat of Southern aristocracy, all go to show that the bolters and Republicans have one common object and one common aim, and that is the overthrow of the Democratic party. No Northern man of sense, and no Southern man of honesty can find any thing intentionally wrong in the 20 negro law, for it was a war measure, dictated alone by public necessity and the demands of humanity. At the time it was enacted there were in the Gulf States of the South many communities where within the sound of a gun there were 500 negroes and not more than fifty whites in the same compass. If these fifty white men had been compelled to go into the Southern army it would have left their families at the mercy of the negroes, and opened the way for them to over run the whole South and destroy helpless women and children.

Another object of the law, and one not less necessary for the prosecution of the war, was to have the soil cultivated, in order to be able to feed the vast army then in the field. It was a law of war, and a law of necessity, good in intention whatever may have been its appearance or effects; and the Southern man who now revives it after it has been a dead issue for 15 years is a hired tool to do the dirty work of passion and spite for demagogues.

Judge Wright did not support the law either from choice or necessity; he was not in the Confederate Congress when it was passed, and if he had voted for it, no honest man knowing the purpose of the law would impugn his motives for doing so. Such pure statesmen and patriots as A. G. Thurman, Thos. A. Hendricks and Gen. H. Pendleton never stooped to such low flung demagogues.

What are the Issues Before Us?

On next Tuesday, the 2d of November, 1880, the voters of Tennessee are called upon to settle at the ballot-box the following questions:

1. Is our representative system of government a failure?

2. Shall we change from the representative system of government as practiced by our fathers of all parties for 84 years past, to the Democratic system of legislation at the ballot-box on the one hand, or substitute the bayonet for the ballot on the other hand?

Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Jackson, Polk and Johnson believed the representative system was best and therefore they adopted it, and practiced it through their day and generation; and John V. Wright is now for its perpetration. John Savage, Frank Wilson, Judge Williams and Dave Snodgrass think we should now abandon the representative system of government and adopt a new one in its place, and thus inaugurate the Democratic system of every man, woman and child becoming a legislator at the ballot-box, for that is exactly what unlimited Democracy means, and no honest man will deny it, and every man who has sense enough to go to mill knows that such a system is an absurdity.

The Republican party with Jas. A. Garfield and Alvin Hawkins as its leaders believe that the ballot should be controlled by the bayonet, or as Mr. Garfield says, "I believe, sir, the time has come when we must lay the heavy hand of military authority upon these communities, (he means Southern States), and hold them in its grasp. I give my support to this military bill. It is severe. It was written with a steel pen made out of a bayonet, and bayonets have done us good service. All I ask is that Congress shall place civil government before these people of the rebel States and a cordon of bayonets behind them."

This is what James A. Garfield says should be our form of government, and Alvin Hawkins says it is constitutional to prevent every rebel "old line Whig and all" from voting for all time to come.

Briefly, then the issues are these: John V. Wright and W. S. Hancock are for the government of our fathers; Frank Wilson and John Savage are for the absurdity of making laws at the ballot-box by making every man a legislator; Garfield and Hawkins are for military government by the bayonet, and all rebels disfranchised.

Fellow citizens of Tennessee, these are the issues before you to-day, the issues that these three parties have made themselves in the past. We know of no way to judge the future but by the past. This is the last time we will be permitted to call your attention to these matters, for next Tuesday you must choose which you will at the ballot-box.

The Democratic party which is for the old government of Washington and our fathers, is today headed by Hancock and Wright. You never did abandon this party without bringing ruin upon you, as the division of 1860 between Douglas and Breckenridge, and of 1872 between Johnson and Cheatham will sadly testify, the one in the civil war and the other in the loss of Tennessee to the Democracy. Will you repeat the same folly next Tuesday? May the God of our fathers forbid it!

Henry Clay Slandered in His Grave.

Alvin Hawkins taking advantage of the dissensions among Democrats is now appealing to old line Whigs and telling them that the Republican party is the legitimate offspring and successor of the old Whig party. What! A party that was conceived in a conspiracy to rob the South of multiplied millions of property, born in open violation of the Constitution of the United States, and the fugitive slave laws of Congress, and that grew up on the spoils of intrigue, and rioted in all the corruptions of their government from the lowest whiskey ring to the rape of the Presidency itself, a legitimate offspring of the old Whig party!!

Mirabile dictu!!! That all these iniquities are the out-growth of the teachings of the departed sage of Ashland!

If to-day, when Alvin Hawkins speaks at Fayette in Macon county, on the old Kentucky border, he should utter such a sentiment, the mouldering body of Henry Clay would verify fiction and turn over in its coffin, and his departed spirit would brood over the land he loved so well till a million of Kentucky's valiant sons who once followed his fortunes to glory, but who are now in the service ranks and shouting hoists of the national Democracy, would arise to repel the slander and silence the slanderer!

Shades of the mighty! And ghosts of the departed! Forbid such a slander upon the immortal and honored dead!

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